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1. The CKD-Stalingrad plant is located along Fucikova Trida in Prague IX. At the north the wall forming the boundary of the plant runs along the Prague-Kolin main railroad line. On the south is Fucikova Trida, leading to Kbely. There are housing developments in the west and open fields in the east.
2. The plant area is surrounded by a concrete wall about $2\frac{1}{2}$ meters high, with three strands of barbed wire along the top. There are four gates in the wall, plus one for railroad traffic. All the gates are guarded by plant watchmen and the identity cards of workers are checked at the gates. There are about 600 men in the works militia, 16 of these being attached to the plant watchmen. The pistols and rifles of the militia are deposited in the militia arms and storeroom when not in use.
3. CKD-Stalingrad produces the following items:
 - a. Electric motors from $\frac{1}{2}$ h.p. to 80 h.p.
 - b. Generators for electric welding.
 - c. Turbogenerators for power houses.
 - d. Transformers.
 - e. Steam and water turbines.
4. It takes about six to eight months to produce a turbogenerator aggregate, and 200 workers are employed on the production of one. It takes from three to five months to produce a transformer.
5. Raw materials arrive chiefly by rail. Steel and iron for the plant come mostly from the United Steel Works in Kladno. Porcelain insulators are

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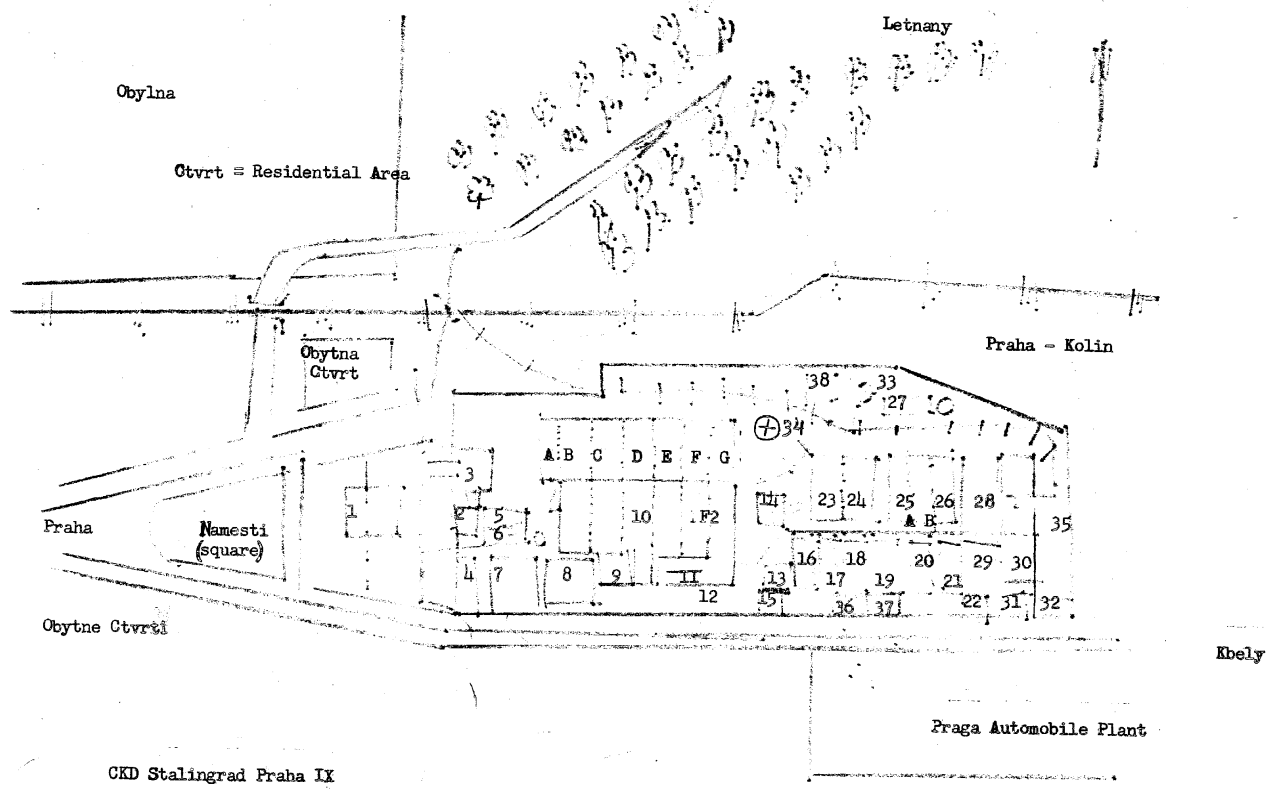
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supplied by an unspecified shipper in Jablonec nad Nisou. Finished products are shipped almost exclusively to East Germany, Poland and the USSR. All export shipments leave the plant by rail but spare parts and replacements for domestic power stations are delivered by truck. Some shipments recently have been leaving for China.

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6. The plant has its own power plant which produces the required electric power. Water is supplied by the Main Waterworks of the City of Prague (Vodarna hlav. mesta Prahy) at Karany (O 51/L 99).
 7. CKD-Stalingrad employs some 9,000 people, of whom 4,000 are women and about 300 apprentices. Work is done in three shifts per day. Morale is very low, generally speaking, mostly because of what the workers consider low wages and the incessant exhortation to higher performance. Some 20% of the workers are former clerical workers who have been transferred to industry. They are dead against any voluntary effort in the factories. [redacted] there are no more than 15% of the employees who are Communists and 2 to 5% who are members of the Communist youth movement.
 8. About 10% of plant output is rejected. To reduce rejections and the number of accidents, new workers are put through three to six weeks of training.
 9. No expansion of the plant is foreseen and only the oldest buildings are being repaired. About a third of the plant was destroyed during World War II, but all of it was repaired before the Communist coup in 1948. The most vulnerable part of the plant is the foundry. Its destruction or breakdown would paralyze the plant for a considerable time.

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ANNEX B

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Legend to over-all sketch of CKD-Stalingrad plant.

1. Administration building, kitchen, dining-halls
2. Gatekeeper's lodge #1.
3. Offices, cadre dept., health insurance.
4. Billeting center (offices)
5. Boiler house
6. Laundry
7. Sick-bay, drafting offices, stores of "Pertinax".
8. Production of transformers; drafting offices on 2nd floor.
9. Storage of semi-finished goods.
10. A. offices, B. presses, C. assembly, D. assembly, E. turbines
F. machine hall. F2. apprentice lathe operators, G. varnishing, shipping
11. Storage of semi-finished goods.
12. Garages
13. Station for battery-carts (sic)
14. Smithy
15. Gatekeeper's lodge # 2.
16. Storage of non-ferrous metals; chrome-plating shop
17. Apprentices' shops
18. Cafeteria, second kitchen
19. Production of transformers and mercury rectifiers
20. Model shop
21. Stores of aluminum
22. Gate-keeper's lodge #3
23. Course machining of electric motors and
24. Production of switches; electricians' and apprentices' workshops
25. a. Stores of iron, b. foundry
26. Drying of sand for moulds
27. Boiler house
28. Foundries
29. Finishing of castings
30. Final assembly of diesel-powered RR trains (sic)
31. Gatekeeper's lodge #4
32. Carpenters' shop
33. Water cooler, distiller
34. Water distiller
35. RR turntables
36. Offices (accident prevention)
37. Militia arms dump
38. Transformer

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ANNEX D

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Legend to sketch of Main Building of CKD-Stalingrad.

Legend to sketch

1. One mobile crane
2. 17 lathes
3. 4 mechanical shears
4. ~~Seven~~ mechanical presses
5. 7 horizontal lathes
6. 7 drills
7. 8 revolving lathes
8. 7 planing machines
9. 2 work-tables
10. welding shop
11. 1 winder for electric motors
12. 12 turret lathes
13. 3 magnetic grinders
14. 4 spraying apparatuses
15. dryer (kiln?)

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